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LB 241, 248, 286, 511, 570, 681, 683, 819  
908, 941, 987, 1002, 1127, 1129  
LR 421-423

CLERK: Mr. President, a communication from the Governor to the Clerk. (Read communication re. LB 241, LB 570, LB 681, LB 819, LB 987, LB 286. See page 1601 of the Legislative Journal.)

Mr. President, bills read on Final Reading this morning have been presented to the Governor for his perusal. That's all that I have at this time. (See page 1601 of the Legislative Journal regarding LB 683, LB 1129, LB 908, LB 941, LB 1002, LB 1127, and LB 511. Journal also shows LR 421-423 were introduced. See pages 1601-03 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The first item.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next item on the Speaker's agenda this afternoon, or today I should say, is a motion by Senator Pedersen. Senator Pedersen would move to reconsider the Final Reading vote on LB 248.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Pedersen.

SENATOR PEDERSEN: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, LB 248 was probably one of the most agonizing bills I had to consider so far yet this year as far as not knowing how I wanted to vote, and I'm not sure yet exactly how this bill ought to go, but I would like to bring it back for a little more debate and to hear a little more from the other side, and when I say the other side I'm talking about that had a lot of people who were against it and from that side never any real reasons why they were against it. Heard a lot of that they have it in Iowa and it doesn't work. I am concerned that we took out the other parts of the state and only left the metropolitan areas in there, but I thought this was important enough. In my district I have 32 SIDs and I had quite a few people who voiced their opinion against this bill, but the bill, as it read, told me as a citizen and the average citizen that it was going to bring a few more people into paying their taxes who get away from them by doing their services on a cash basis, and it was definitely going to bring those who do not pay their workmen's comp into consideration. The \$25 is not what the consideration was and quite often that came up, \$25. It wasn't they couldn't afford the \$25, it's just that it keeps opening a can of worms, but they wouldn't...I had never really heard what that can of worms is and I, if for nothing else, would bring this back to hear that because I think we ought to have level playing fields and we ought to have some understanding that makes things fair for